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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Akihiro KAJITA, et al.

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FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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REFERENCES

The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (2001-298083) on Form-PTO 1449:

The W plug has a similar seam which is filled with dielectric material in the W plug formation process (Fig. 1 (c), Fig 3 (c))

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